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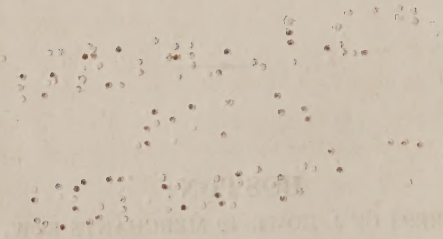

HISTORY

OF THE

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

The First Baptist Church, now of Boston, was constituted in Charlestown on the 28th of March, 1665. The first record on the Church book is as follows:—"The 28th of the 3d month, 1665, in Charlestown, the Church of Christ commonly (though falsely,) called Anabaptists, were gathered together and entered into fellowship and communion with each other, engaging to walk together in all the appointments of their Lord and Master, the Lord Jesus Christ, as far as he should be pleased to make known his mind and will unto them by his word and Spirit,—and then was baptized Thomas Gould, Thomas Osborne, Edward Drinker, John George,—and joined with Richard Goodall, Wm. Turner, Robert Lambert, Mary Goodall, and Mary Newell, who had walked in that order in Old England."

This proceeding was considered by the civil rulers and the clergy of the established Church, as a high-handed and illegal act on the part of the Baptists, who were denounced as heretics and disturbers of the peace. A law had been passed at an early period, forbidding any persons to form a Church, or to meet together for divine service without consent of the magistrate. By authority of this law, on the 20th of August, (not three months after the Baptists had formed themselves into a Church,) a warrant was issued by Richard Russell, Esq., to the constable in Charlestown, requiring him, in his Majesty's name, to labor to discover where these people were assembled, and to require them to attend the established worship; which, if they refused to do, he was to return their names and places of abode to the next magistrate. In consequence whereof, they were brought before the Court of Assistants, to whom they exhibited a confession of their faith, in September, 1665.

The founders of this Church did not consider that any but practical believers, who had been baptized upon a profession of faith, could be visible members of the Church of Christ. On this account they were highly criminal in the view of our worthy forefathers, as the preva-

lence of such sentiments would tend to the subversion of their Church order.

The Court of Assistants, therefore, charged them to desist from what they called their schismatical practice. But because they did not see fit to renounce their faith, they were summoned to appear before the General Court, and the following sentence was passed: That "Thomas Gould, Wm. Turner, Thomas Osborne, Edward Drinker, and John George, such of them as are free men, to be disfranchised, and all of them to be committed to prison until the General Court take further order with them." On the 17th of April, the year following, they were again indicted before the County Court at Cambridge, for absenting themselves from public worship, and when they asserted they steadily attended such worship, (meaning in their own Church,) they were convicted of high presumption; Gould, Osborne and George, the principal brethren, were fined four pounds each, and ordered to bind themselves in a bond of twenty pounds each, for their appearance at the Court of Assistants. This they refused to do, and were therefore committed to prison, and were even denied the privilege of speaking in self-defence.

The May following, the General Court ordered that Thomas Gould, Wm. Turner, and John Farnum, should, before the July coming, remove out of their jurisdiction; and if they were seen in any part of the colony after that time, without license from the Court or Council, they were to be thrown into prison, and were therefore commanded to prepare to go into banishment.

Gould and his associates seemed determined to suffer imprisonment, rather than go into exile, and remained in Boston jail for nearly or quite a year. Their unhappy case excited the compassion of many who did not think with them in sentiment, both in Europe and America; and letters of remonstrance were sent to their persecutors, from Pedobaptists in England, to prevail upon them to desist from their persecutions, but they did not produce the effect that was expected.

In 1668, the Church consisted of about 18 members; a number of whom met regularly once a week, at Noddle's Island, (now East Boston,) at the house of Mr. Gould, who probably was the principal speaker. When the weather was unpleasant, the brethren residing at and about Woburn, assembled and attended the ministry of Elder Russell, a gracious, wise

and holy man. The spirit of persecution still continued. Elder Russell and his son, and brother Foster, were thrown into prison, and confined there for nearly six months. On the 20th of May, 1672, the General Court revised their statutes, and inserted another act, sentencing to banishment every person who should openly oppose or condemn the baptism of infants. In 1673, Mr. John Leverett, who had always been opposed to the measures used against the Baptists, was chosen Governor, and they were permitted to enjoy their liberty for nearly six years.

In October, 1675, just ten years after the Church was constituted, Mr. Gould, who had proved an efficient instrument in the hand of the Lord for carrying on this good work in its weak beginning, was called away to his reward in heaven. Little is known of him more than that he suffered much from the bigotry of his opponents, and was founder of the Church which included almost the whole of the Baptist interests in the colony of Massachusetts, for more than forty years.

After his decease, Isaac Hull and John Russell became pastors of the Church, assisted in their labors during two or three years, by Mr. John Miles, one of the two thousand ministers

ejected from their livings in England, in 1662. Mr. Miles died February 3, 1683.

In January, 1678, the Church resolved to erect a place of worship in Boston, having for fourteen years been destitute of one, and during that time they had assembled in their dwelling houses in Charlestown, Boston and Noddle's Island.

After the removal of this Church to Boston, there appears to have been nothing done towards the constitution of another Baptist Church in Charlestown until the beginning of the present century — when, according to the records, — from which the following historical sketch of the origin of the Baptist Society, and the erection of their house of worship, is copied, it appears that,on Lord's-day evening of August 24, 1800, in the ancient religious society assembled for private and social worship, it was moved by a brother, "that the Society take into serious consideration the obvious necessity of erecting another house for public worship, and use their influence to effect the same."

The Society, impressed with the importance of the subject, unanimously adopted the motion, and appointed a Committee, consisting of brethren Joseph Hurd, Oliver Holden, Thomas Miller, John Carter, David Goodwin, Timothy

Thompson, and Amos Tufts, to devise means and report next Lord's-day evening.

On the time appointed, the Committee reported that, in their opinion, an association may, and ought to be formed for the purpose of building a house, without delay, and that it would be most conducive to harmony, and beneficial to the cause of religion, to encourage the Baptist brethen in building the house for their denomination. Four members of this Committee, viz: Joseph Hurd, Thomas Miller, Timothy Thompson, and Amos Tufts, were members of the Congregational Church, the other three were members of the First Baptist Church in Boston, then under the pastoral care of the venerable Dr. Stillman.

The Committee thought it prudent to call a meeting of Dr. Morse's Church, together with the Baptist brethren who lived in town, to ascertain their sentiments with regard to the contemplated Society and building; whereupon every male member of both Churches was invited to attend, at the house of Mr. Timothy Thompson, September 15, 1800. A large number assembled, and unanimously agreed to the report of the above Committee; Rev Dr. Morse having previously given his opinion in favor of the Baptist establishment.

The Baptist brethren, who were few in number, had never contemplated so great an undertaking; and wishing only to assist the cause of religion generally, were induced to comply with the wishes of the brethren of the other denomination, viewing the hand of Divine Providence in the measure.

At the above meeting, Oliver Holden having presented a lot of land for the Meeting-House, as it was considered the most eligible situation proposed, it was accepted. Whereupon it was voted unanimously to submit the whole management of the building to the Baptist brethren, with assurances of aid and encouragement adequate to the execution of the adopted plan.

September 16, 1800, agreeably to notice, the whole of the Baptist brethren in Charlestown, assembled at brother Holden's, namely:

John Carter,	Jacob Forster,
Silas Niles,	Richard Holden,
David Goodwin,	Obadiah White,
Victor Blair,	James Harrison,
Solomon Phipps,	William Arnold,

and Oliver Holden.

After opening the meeting by solemn prayer, all the brethren subscribed to the following Covenant, and the Regulations subjoined, viz:

We, the subscribers, members of the Baptist

communion in this town, being advised by the friends of religion, and encouraged with promises of assistance to build a house of worship; believing that the visible kingdom of the Redeemer will be advanced thereby, do associate for the purposes of erecting a house of public worship, and constituting a Church, to be distinguished by the name of the FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH IN CHARLESTOWN; and fervently imploring the blessing of God on this our arduous undertaking, we solemly engage to do all in our power to effect the same, agreeably to the following regulations.*

The Committee who were chosen by the brethren to build the house, were John Carter, David Goodwin, James Harrison, and Oliver Holden. These brethren, with but a trifling aid from two gentlemen of the Congregational Society, who loaned them 600 dollars for one year on interest,—began on the 1st day of October, 1800, a building 50 feet in width, and 75 feet in length, to be ornamented with an elegant tower and cupola, which was completely finished and solemnly dedicated to Almighty God, on the 12th day of May following, at an

*The regulations, which merely relate to the manner of raising funds by loan, building the house, &c. &c., are omitted.

expense of more than eleven thousand dollars.

Here commence the Records of the Church, March 31, 1801. All the Baptist brethren assembled by agreement; and after prayer, chose a Committee consisting of brethren Carter, Holden and Harrison, to consult with Dr. Stillman and Mr. Baldwin, respecting a Church compact or covenants; also to report a plan of arrangements for the dedication and subsequent public exercises.

Voted, To meet every Monday evening to mature the business respecting the constituting of the Church and Society.

Voted, To invite the sisters of the Baptist communion in town, to attend hereafter in these meetings.

Voted, That our Monday evening meetings be *perpetual*, so far as we can render them so; and that a [Society] meeting, distinct from the Church, but including the members, be opened for social worship, into which shall be admitted those who love the worship of God, and are sincere inquirers after truth.

April 13, 1801. Voted, To invite Dr. Stillman to preach the dedication sermon; and to invite Dr. Morse, Mr. Baldwin and Mr. Grafton, to assist in the solemnities.

Voted, To apply to Mr. Peak to supply our desk for two weeks.

Voted, To request our dismission from the First and Second Baptist Churches in Boston, and to request them to assist us, by their pastors and delegates, in constituting us a new Church, on the day of dedication.

Lord's-day evening, May 3, 1801. The brethren and sisters met, and after prayer, signed our Declaration of Faith and Practice, and Church Covenants.

Voted, To write to Mr. Charles O. Screven to supply the pulpit after Mr. Peak's engagement expires. Made choice of our beloved brethren, John Carter and David Goodwin for our deacons.

Voted, To invite the Congregational Church to attend the dedication; and that the pews in the middle of the house be appropriated to their use, and that of our sister Churches in Boston, on the occasion.

Made choice of Oliver Holden as Clerk and Treasurer of the Church and Society; also of D. Goodwin and Jacob Forster, who, with the Treasurer, shall be a Standing Committee, to complete all contracts, and manage all the pecuniary concerns of the Church and Society.

May 12, 1801. The Council composed of the delegates from our sister Churches in Boston and Newton, assembled at brother James Harrison's, where our brethren and sisters—whose names follow—were constituted as a Church.

John Carter,	Tabitha Robbins,
Silas Niles,	——— Kidder,
David Goodwin,	Abigail Blair,
Victor Blair,	Elizabeth Edmands,
Solomon Phipps,	——— Turner,
Richard Holden,	Nancy Fox,
James Harrison,	Hannah Harden,
Jacob Forster,	Lucy Holden,
Obadiah White,	Ann Shepard.
Wm. Arnold,	
Oliver Holden,	

The Council and Church then proceeded to the new house, where, by the most solemn and appropriate services, by Dr. Morse, Dr. Stillman, Mr. Baldwin, and Mr. Grafton, it was consecrated to the most High God, so far as mortals could ceremoniously devote a place to his worship; and the newly constituted Church was publicly recognized, and received the hand of fellowship.

Lord's-day, May 17, 1801. This being the first Sabbath of assembling in the new Meeting-

House, the Rev. Mr. Baldwin preached in the morning to a crowded auditory, from 2 Chron. 6: 41. "Now therefore arise, O Lord God, into thy resting place, thou, and the ark of thy strength: let thy priests, O Lord God, be clothed with salvation, and let thy saints rejoice in goodness." In the afternoon, Mr. John Peak preached from Acts, 14: 7. "And there they preached the gospel."

In Church Meeting, May 18, 1801. Voted thanks to the brethren who assisted in the dedication, and directed the Clerk to request of them copies for publication.

Voted, To hold our communion of the Lord's Supper, on the second Lord's-day of every month.

Monday evening, June 8, 1801. Held our first Church Meeting, previously to communion. This interesting season was distinguished by a remarkable solemnity and freedom, in strengthening and exhorting each other to a life of faith and holiness. The affectionate attachment to each other, and the perfect union that seemed to pervade the little flock, were remarked as ominous of future prosperity.

Lord's-day, June 14, was our first communion season. Dr. Stillman broke bread to us, in the presence of a very numerous and solemn assem-

bly. It was a precious and melting season to the saints, and we trust an impressive and profitable one to the spectators.

In full Church Meeting, July 6, 1801, it was unanimously agreed to accept the Report of a Joint Committee of this and the Congregational Church, in favor of a proposition to unite our lectures, which are in future to be held alternately at both Meeting-Houses, once a fortnight, and preached by both ministers in rotation, each in the other's pulpit.

In Church Meeting, July 20, 1801. Application was made by Mrs. Nancy Thompson, for baptism, which was accompanied with satisfactory evidence of her title to the privileges she requested. This is the fourth hopeful conversion in one family since the formation of our Society. A work of God is evidently going on among us, for which, may His name have all the glory. Such, according to the records, from which we have made the foregoing extracts, were the auspicious circumstances under which this Church commenced her career.

On September 20, 1802, Mr. Thos. Waterman, lately from England, a member of Dr. Rippons' Church, of London, and formerly a Congregational minister, was unanimously invited to take the pastoral charge of the Church;

which invitation he accepted, and was publicly installed October 7. The services on the occasion were as follows: Prayer, by Dr. Morse; sermon, by Dr. Stillman; charge, by Mr. Baldwin; hand of fellowship, by Mr. Gano, of Providence.

During this year, mention is made of the breaking up of the United Lecture, at the request of Dr. Morse; and a change in the time of the communion, from the second to the last Lord's-day of each month.

From the constitution of the Church to the settlement of its first pastor, Mr. Waterman, much love and harmony seems to have prevailed; and some were added to the Church by baptism. Mr. Waterman's connection with the Church was short, only eight months, and in many respects unhappy; he was, for a time, deprived of his ministerial office, yet afterwards he was restored, and preached some years at Woburn, with great acceptance.

Rev. Wm. Collier, Pastor of the Gold Street Baptist Church, in the city of New York, was chosen the second pastor. He removed to this town in April, 1804, and on the 15th commenced his pastoral duties. May 3d, he was publicly settled in this office. The Church then consisted of forty-one members. For five years

great unanimity existed. The Lord added to the Church gradually. Many seasons peculiarly refreshing were enjoyed. The house was filled by a very respectable congregation, and though from different circumstances, divisions in sentiment prevailed upon various subjects, yet no one anticipated the trials of the few succeeding years.

October 31, 1809, a letter, signed by nine members, was presented, requesting dismission to constitute themselves into a Second Baptist Church, in Charlestown, on some different regulations from the standing Church. Mr. Oliver Holden, as he was subsequently the Elder of this new Church, was principally known in this request. He, it appears, soon after, did assume the debts then due on the Meeting-House, which were of considerable amount, and besides this had advanced a large sum for the support of the minister. The request was heard, and liberty granted. They accordingly withdrew, and formed a separate interest.

The Church were deeply affected at this separation. Their meetings were expressive of love, and mingled with tears. They immediately attended to the pecuniary concerns of the Meeting-House, but finding themselves unable to meet the demands, they agreed with Mr. Hol-

den to relinquish their pews and the house; and he, on his part, released them from all further engagements. They made preparations for the erection of another house. In this they were aided greatly by the munificence of their fellow citizens, and a generous public abroad. They purchased a lot, 70 by 80 feet, for $500, on Austin Street, and commenced erecting an edifice of brick, 46 by 60, and only about 16 feet in height, at an expense of between four and five thousand dollars.

September 23, 1810, Mr. Collier preached the dedicatory sermon, from the words, "In all places where I record my name I will come unto thee, and I will bless thee."

The Church and Society continued to assemble in the old Meeting-House, till the new one was completed, and the following vote was passed at a meeting of the Church, September 17, 1810, expressive of their kind feelings to Mr. Holden, for his indulgence during this time.—"Voted, unanimously, That Deacons Carter and Goodwin be a Committee to wait on Mr. Oliver Holden, and thank him for the courteous and very friendly manner in which he has accommodated the Church with a place of worship since his dismission from our body, and to express in behalf of the brethren, the pleasure

it will afford them, should they hereafter be in circumstances to do so, to make him some pecuniary compensation for his liberal and truly Christian-like deportment on this occasion." After this, the house was sold by Mr. Holden, and is now occupied by the First Methodist Church.

After the occupancy of its new house, the Church continued to receive additions, and some seasons of special grace are recorded. From some causes however, the Society decreased, till in August 20, 1819, Mr. Collier resigned his pastoral charge.

Mr. Collier was Pastor of the Church fifteen years and four months, during which time 112 were added by baptism, and many by letter. After his resignation, the pulpit was chiefly supplied by Rev. Mr. Dillaway, of Granville, N. Y. Here he was ordained an Evangelist, and continued to preach here more than a year. Messrs. Titcomb and Hale severally supplied the pulpit for some time after Mr. D. left.

Rev. Henry Jackson, of Providence, R. I., was the third Pastor of the Church. He was ordained November 27, 1822. The sermon on the occasion, was preached by Dr. Gano, from the words "There was a man sent from God whose name was John." Ordaining prayer, by

Rev. Mr. Sharp; Charge, by Rev. Dr. Baldwin; Right Hand of Fellowship, by Rev. Dr. Wayland; Prayer, at the close, by Rev. Mr. Collier; and other parts of the services, by Rev. Messrs. Jacobs, Nelson, Davis, and B. C. Grafton.

Very soon after the settlement of Mr. Jackson, the interests of the Church began to revive; the attendance on the sanctuary to increase, so that it was found necessary in the Summer of 1833, to increase the accommodation for worshippers; this was done by elevating the roof of the Meeting-House, and raising the walls so as to admit of galleries. A cupola and bell were added. The whole cost about 3000 dollars.

Revivals of religion were frequent, and additions to the Church were numerous. A spirit of benevolence was promoted, by the Church being taught, not to live for itself alone, but to bring forth fruit for others. Very soon, this Church, besides paying its own expenses, raised annually for Missionary, Educational, and other purposes, an average of more than a thousand dollars.

By 1830, the demand for seats was so great, that it became necessary again to enlarge the Meeting-House, and this was done at an expense of 4000 dollars.

In 1833, several persons who had connected themselves with the Second Baptist Church, under the care of Mr. Oliver Holden, returned to the fellowship of this; and from that time, the Second Church seems to have lost its visibility.

The Charlestown Female Seminary was instituted during the pastorate of Mr. Jackson, and chiefly through his agency. Deeply impressed with the importance of increasing the facilities for female education, he labored unceasingly, until he had secured enough of feeling and funds to set this school in operation; and this was done without asking, as a gratuity, for a single dollar. A few friends advanced the money for erecting the buildings; and the institution has, from the beginning, paid them their interest, and sustained itself. It has done more than this, for many pious females, who were preparing themselves for the work of teaching or missionary labor, have received their education gratuitously from its surplus funds. This Seminary may be considered as a model one, in its financial aspect; and inferior to none in its literary character. The Lord has greatly favored this School with revivals of religion; hundreds of pupils have been converted while in a course of study there. It is well deserving

the confidence and countenance of the whole community.

Mr. Jackson resigned his charge in October, 1836, to accept a call to the First Baptist Church in Hartford, Conn. The fourteen years during which he held the connection of Pastor with this Church, was a period of uninterrupted harmony, and of great prosperity. He is every where spoken of with great affection, and is regarded as the father of this people.

During his pastorate, 237 were added by baptism, 119 by letter ; 3 were restored ; 92 were dismissed by letter to the fellowship of other Churches ; 31 were excluded, and 29 died. Net increase, 206; making with the 79 at the commencement of his labors, in the whole, 285.

The seasons of more than ordinary religious interest, seem to have been the years of 1827, 1830, 1832, and 1834.

Immediately after the resignation of Mr. Jackson, the Church extended a call to Rev. William Phillips, of Providence, which he accepted, and was installed on Friday evening, December 2, of the same year. Mr. Ide, of Boston, preached the sermon, from 2 Cor. 11 : 16. "And who is sufficient for these things?" Br. Leverett, of Roxbury, gave the Hand of Fellowship ; Dr. Sharp delivered the Charge to

the Pastor, and Br. Medbury to the Church. He continued its Pastor for five years; at which time he was compelled to resign the office on account of sickness. Before settling with this Church, he had been troubled with a very painful affection in his eyes, and for sometime previous to his resignation, the inflammation had become so acute, as to render it impossible for him to study. In addition to this, he had suffered from affliction in his family, so that he felt it his duty to resign his charge, and for a time seek repose in some rural spot, where he could take necessary exercise in the open air, and preach occasionally, as opportunities occurred, and as his health and that of his family permitted.

The five years during which Mr. Phillips had charge of this Church, were years of great peace and unanimity; not marked by any extraordinary revival or declension, but characterized by a continuous state of good, religious interest; every year quite a number were added to the Church, the largest numbers in the years 1838 and 1840. Christian faithfulness, gentlemanly bearing, equability of temper, and a consistent life, were the traits of character so uniformly manifest, as to endear him to his people, and secure for him a grateful remembrance in the hearts of all who knew him.

The changes that occurred during Mr. Phillips' pastorate, were, baptized, 83; received by letter, 44; restored, 6; dismissed by letter to other Churches, 55; excluded, 14: died, 14; erased, 20. Net increase, 30; which, with the 285, at the commencement of his labors, made the total number of Church members, at the time of his resignation, 315.

Very soon after the resignation of Mr. Phillips, the Church sent an invitation to Rev. H. K. GREEN, then of West Chester, Pa., which he accepted, and was installed January 7, 1842. The sermon on the occasion was preached by Rev. Nathaniel Colver, of Boston. The early labors of Mr. Green with this Church, were very successful; in about a year, more than a hundred were added by baptism. The congregation became so large, that it was found necessary to prepare for the erection of a new house of worship.

During the next year, the old house was taken down, and the building which is now occupied, was erected, at an expense of about twenty thousand dollars. With the avails of the old building, about ten thousand dollars were raised and paid at the time, and a debt of a little over ten thousand dollars was left on the new house.

The next year was marked by some very unpleasant events; chiefly growing out of a difference of opinion respecting the labors of Mr. Swan, with the Church, as an Evangelist; and which difference finally resulted in a division of the body. This separation was consummated in the manner following:

On the evening of the 22d of April, 1844, Mr. Green tendered his resignation, which was accepted. He was then called to preside at a meeting of the Church, and Dr. A. J. Bellows was elected Clerk pro tem.; after which, the following votes were passed:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Church, the time has arrived when another Baptist Church should be formed in this town.

Resolved, That since many of our brethren and sisters are desirous of forming another Church, it is proper that such a Church should be formed.

Resolved, That so many of our brethren and sisters as shall signify their wish to the Clerk pro tem., shall be considered as dismissed for that purpose.

H. K. Green, Moderator.
A. J. Bellows, Clerk pro tem.

Two hundred and twenty-two asked for, and received their dismission from the Church, and

were subsequently organized and recognized as the High Street Baptist Church.

Since then, a number have been dismissed from the High Street Church, and have been organized and recognized as the Bethesda Baptist Church. Each of the above Churches has a commodious house of worship, and well attended on the Sabbath. The house of the former is on High Street, and that of the latter, on Bunker Hill Street.

The statistics of the Church during the pastorate of Mr. Green, are as follows: Restored, 3; baptized, 167; received by letter, 40; dismissed by letter to other Churches, including the 222 to constitute the High Street Church, 256; excluded, 10; died, 16. Leaving in this Church a total of 233.

Some years previous to the above named division of the Church, a Sabbath School had been commenced at a place known as Morton's Point, near the Navy Yard, and a building had been erected for its accommodation, at a cost of over eight hundred dollars; public services on the Sabbath was frequently held there, and sermons were preached by the students from Newton and by other persons. Efforts had also been made to get up a Baptist interest at the Neck Village, but hitherto without success.

About the time of the division, another effort was made by the people at the Neck, which resulted in the erection of a neat and commodious house of worship, the organization of a Church, and the formation of a Sabbath School; and as it was found that the interest at the Point had interfered, and would interfere with that at the Neck, the former was given up, and the building was sold to the Methodists. It has since been sold to the Unitarians.

In the Summer of 1844, Mr. William C. Child, a student of Newton Theological Institution supplied the pulpit. September 20, of the same year, a vote was passed inviting him to become the Pastor of the Church; being present at the time the vote was taken, he signified his acceptance of the call. His ordination took place October 20. Dr. Welsh, of Albany, preached the Sermon, from Acts 26: 17, 18; Ordaining Prayer, by Dr. Sharp; Charge to the candidate, by Dr. Stow; Hand of Fellowship, by Rev. J. W. Olmstead; Address to the Church, by Dr. Hague; other parts of the service were performed by brethren Cookson, Leverett and Neale.

Mr. Child continued the Pastor of the Church up to November 17, 1849; a little more than five years.

During this time, 23 were added by baptism; 51 by letter; and 3 were restored; 57 were dismissed by letter to other Churches; 11 were excluded, and 9 died; leaving, at the time of his resignation, 231 members.

Although the Church was well united in the settlement of Mr. Child, yet there were many things that were very trying, and which eventually proved very discouraging to so young a man. A Church very much weakened by the late division; a congregation greatly diminished by the recent formation of another interest; a heavy debt upon the Meeting-House; the speedy settlement over the new Church of an experienced Pastor, well versed in promoting revivals of religion; the erection of a Baptist Meeting-House at the Neck Village, and the dismission of members from this Church to constitute a Church there; three Baptist interests, instead of, as formerly, one; two other places for Baptists to go to, beside this, it was not to be wondered at, if this house should not be immediately filled with hearers; that large numbers should not be added to this Church; or that the pecuniary interests of this Church and Society should not be perfectly free from embarrassment. It was not strange that difficulties should meet the Church and Pastor, to which

they were both strangers. But all this was very discouraging to a young man of high expectations, and of hopes which might have been realized under other circumstances. When all the facts are taken into the account, under which Mr. Child performed the duties of his office, the wonder is, not that more was not done under his ministry, but that so much was accomplished. During his Pastorate the congregation was increased; five thousand dollars of the debt on the Meeting-House provided for; and, besides paying the current expenses of the Society, about a thousand dollars was raised annually for benevolent purposes.

By his faithful, devoted and unremitted labors for the good of the cause, Mr. Child has left a witness of his untiring industry; by his Christian deportment he has secured the confidence and esteem of the community; and by his constant and affectionate visits to the sick; his pity for, and kindness to the poor, and his sympathy with the bereaved, he has rendered his memory specially dear to such. While he has the esteem of all classes, he is regarded by those who enjoyed his ministrations under circumstances of suffering, with feelings of attachment and gratitude of no ordinary character.

At the commencement of the year 1850, the Spirit of God converted some of the youth in the congregation. It was unexpected to the Church, but its effect was electrical; the Church awoke from sleep, appointed extra meetings, humbled itself before God, and went to work.

In March, Mr. CALDICOTT came, and preached two Sabbaths, and assisted the Church in its meetings through the week. On the first of April, he commenced supplying regularly. On the 12th of the same month, he was invited to become Pastor, which he accepted, first for six months, as is his custom in such cases, to be confirmed or annulled at that time, according to the wish of the parties. In October, this connection was confirmed, by the Church renewing its invitation, and he fully accepting of it. On account of Mr. Caldicott being so generally and so well known in this region, neither he nor the Church could see that any thing was to be gained by a public recognition of their connection. The only form observed on the occasion was that of his receiving from the Church the Right Hand of Fellowship through their former Pastor, Rev. William C. Child, who was then a member of the Church.

From the time of Mr. Child's resignation up to the time of Mr. Caldicott taking the charge

of the Church, the number of members had diminished, leaving at that time 221.

The statistical changes since April 1, 1850, are as follows:

ADDED BY BAPTISM.

Mr. Albert F. Bellows,	April	28,	1850.
" Samuel Kidder White,	"	"	"
" Seth Rodolphus Clark,	"	"	"
" Franklin O. Reed,	"	"	"
" William S. Edmands,	"	"	"
" B. Waldo Edmands,	"	"	"
" George D. Edmands,	"	"	"
" Dewitt C. Fox,	"	"	"
" Nathan Merrill,	"	"	"
Mrs. Amelia G. Merrill,	"	"	"
" Sarah Bryant,	"	"	"
" Clarissa Church,	"	"	"
Miss Fanny Church,	"	"	"
" Amelia Church,	"	"	"
" A. Josephine Edmands,	"	"	"
" Anna E. Knight,	"	"	"
Mr. Levi H. Reed,	June	2,	"
Miss Sarah P. Chase,	"	"	"
" Mary E. Fall,	"	"	"
" Mary E. Hathorn,	"	"	"
" Sarah A. Hopkins,	"	"	"
" Helen M. Hurd,	"	"	"

Miss	Caroline Kidder,	June 2,	1850.
"	Mary C. Roberts,	" "	"
"	Mary E. Reynolds,	" "	"
"	Lucretia W. Tomblen,	" "	"
Mr.	Otis W. Carr,	July 28,	"
Miss	Mary W. Tower,	" "	"
"	Anna T. White,	December 8,	"
"	Abby M. White,	" "	"
"	Mary P. A. Bellows,	" "	"
"	Mary Hopkins,	" "	"
Mr.	Walter Powers,	" 29,	"
Mrs.	Sarah D. Robinson,	" "	"
"	Caroline M. Ayer,	" "	"
Miss	Mary Ann Peckens,	January 26,	1851.
"	Lucy H. Randall,	" "	"
"	Charlotte Bowman,	April 6,	"
"	Lucy Turner,	" "	"
Mrs.	Hannah Powers,	December 7,	"
Miss	Emily A. Daniels,	" "	"
Master	George T. Daniels,	" "	"
Miss	Martha Eliz'th Daniels,	January 4,	1852.
Mr.	Daniel W. Caldwell,	March 7,	"
Mrs.	Margaret T. Stockbridge,	" "	"
Miss	Harriet Haskell,	" "	"
"	Mary Kennedy,	" "	"
Mr.	Hoseah B. Kelsey,	April 4,	"
"	Samuel M. Bixby,	" "	"
"	Samuel M. Cutler,	" "	"

Mrs. Abby T. Kelley,	April 4, 1852.
" Sarah C. Willson,	" " "
" Maria Linscott,	" " "
Miss Elizabeth Burnell,	" " "
" Ann Dealey,	" " "
" Martha Ford Hall,	" " "
Mr. Elisha A. Sweat,	May 2, "
Miss Harriet N. Sweat,	" " "

Since April 1, 1850, the following persons have been

RECEIVED BY LETTER.

Mrs. Polly Pierce,	April 19, 1850.
" Sarah P. Marston,	" " "
" Sarah Caban,	" 26, "
" Phebe Knight,	" " "
" Hannah B. Merrill,	" " "
Rev. T. F. Caldicott,	May 3, "
Mr. Enos Merrill,	" " "
Mrs. Harriet Merrill,	" " "
Miss Abby Holt,	" " "
Mrs. Charlotte Leverett,	" 24, "
Mr. Peter S. Roberts,	" " "
" Edward Parker,	July 5, "
Mrs. Nancy Parker,	" " "
Mr. Levi Washburn,	" " "
" Calvin Washburn,	" " "

Mrs. Sarah Quinn,	July	12,	1850.
" Sarah W. Roberts,	"	"	"
Miss Charlotte Enslin,	August	30,	"
" Imogene M. Robinson,	"	"	"
" Charlotte Bryant,	September	6,	"
Mr. Stephen Butterfield,	November	29,	"
Miss Rebecca Thompson,	"	"	"
Mr. John York,	"	"	"
Mrs. Eliza Fayes,	December	27,	"
" Elizabeth Wellington,	January	10,	1851,
Miss Lucy Hutchinson,	"	24,	"
Mrs. Betsey Stowell,	February	7,	"
Mr. Philo F. Packard,	March	7,	"
Mrs. Mary Packard,	"	"	"
Miss Martha J. Packard,	"	"	"
" Roby W. Horton,	April	4,	"
Mrs. Mary Scudder,	October	3,	"
" Anna Maria Hay,	"	"	"
Mr. John Linscott,	"	"	"
" Charles E. Daniels,	"	31,	"
Mrs. Sally Daniels,	"	"	"
Miss Sarah A. Daniels,	"	"	"
Mr. Prescott Brown,	November	2,	"
Miss Sarah H. Field,	December	5,	"
Mr. Eben. M. Cheeney,	January	2,	1852.
Mrs. Ann Easleman,	"	"	"
" Almira Butterfield,	"	30,	"
Mr. James Bacon,	March	5,	"

Mr. James A. Smith,	March	5,	1852.
Mrs. Frances Ann Smith,	"	"	"
" Christiana Edmands,	April	2,	"
Mr. H. P. Norris,	"	30,	"
Miss Mary Kraath,	"	"	"

The following persons have been dismissed, to the fellowship of other Churches,

BY LETTER.

Mrs. Lydia Hutchins, to Cherryfield, Me., September 6, 1850.

Mr. Calvin S. Pennell, to Lawrence, Mass., October, 1850.

Mrs. Ellen T. Putnam, to Grafton, Mass., October 29, 1850.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Merrill, to Paterson, N. J., December 27, 1850.

Mrs. Martha Sawtell, to Bethel Church, Boston, May 9, 1851.

Rev. Wm. C. Child, to Framingham, Mass., May 26, 1851.

Mrs. Phebe Child, to " " May 26, 1851.

Rev. Chs. Ayer, to Turner, Me. June 25, 1851.

Miss Phebe A. Brown, to Bethel Church, Boston, September 21, 1851.

Mr. T. S. G. Robinson, to West Cambridge, Mass., December 12, 1851.

Mrs. Clarissa K. Robinson, to West Cambridge, Mass., December 12, 1851.

Miss Lucretia T. Tomblen, to East Brookfield, Mass., January 9, 1852.

Mr. George C. Goodwin, to Lexington, Mass., March 5, 1852.

Mrs. Jane O. Goodwin, to " " March 5, 1852.

Mr. Prescott Brown, to North Billerica, Mass., April 2, 1852.

After a due course of discipline, Mrs. Cynthia Scott was excluded, February 7, 1851.

The persons whose names are inserted below, have deceased, and have left good evidence that they have exchanged earth for heaven:

Mr. Caleb H. S. Arnold, June 16, 1850.

Mrs. Sarah Emily York, January 9, 1851.

" Mary G. Robinson, May 4, 1851.

" Elizabeth Frothingham, June 26, 1851.

" Ruth Grover, August 18, 1851.

STATISTICAL CHANGES,

Since April 1, 1850, to May 12, 1852, under the Pastorate of T. F. CALDICOTT.

Added by Baptism, ...	58	
" " Letter, ...	48	
	—	106
Dismissed by Letter, ...	15	
Died, ...	5	
Excluded, ...	1	
	—	21
Net increase, ...		85
Number of members, April 1, 1850,		221
Present number, May 12, 1852, .		306

RECAPITULATION

Of the Statistics, from the constitution of the Church, May 12, 1801, to May 12, 1852.

Constituent members, ...	20
BAPTIZED.	
By Mr. Waterman, ...	3
" " Collier, ...	112
" other Administrators, . . .	19
" Mr. Jackson, ...	237
" " Phillips, ...	83
Carried forward,	474

Brought forward,	474	
By Mr. Green, ...	167	
" " Child, ...	22	
" " Caldicott, ...	58	
	——	721
Received by Letter, from other Churches, during the above period, ...		320
Restored, ...		14
Total of members ever connected with the Church, ...		1055
Dismissed, during the above period, by Letter, to other Churches,	529	
Excluded, ...	108	
Died, ...	92	
Erased, ...	20	
	——	749
Present number, ...		306

The Baptists in Charlestown have become four bands. Each Church has a good, commodious and neat house of worship, with room to accommodate, in the whole, 3000 hearers. The average attendance on the Sabbath, is about 2000. Their Sabbath Schools contain about 900 scholars and teachers; and their united membership is about 750.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETIES, &c.

There are connected with this Church, the following Benevolent Societies, Institutions, and Religious Associations.

No. 1.

BOARDMAN MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This is an Association of Gentlemen, for raising funds for missionary purposes, and for obtaining missionary information. Its meetings are quarterly. The first, which is the annual meeting, is held on the first Monday in January. The second, on the first Monday in April. The third, on the first Monday in July; at this meeting, appropriations are made. The fourth, on the first Monday in October. And a special meeting is held in December, called by the officers of the Society, for the purpose of making appropriations. All these meetings are held in the Chapel of the Church, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

At the beginning of each year, all the male members of the Church and Congregation are solicited to subscribe to, and become members of this Association. The subscriptions are collected on the Sabbath, by passing the boxes; one half on the second Sabbath in June, and the other half on the second Sabbath in December.

No. 2.

WADE MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This is an Association of Ladies, for raising funds for, and imploring the blessing of God on the cause of missions. It holds a meeting on the first Tuesday of every month, at such place as shall have been notified on the preceding Sabbath.

No. 3.

JUDSON MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

This is an Association of young Ladies, who meet on the first Wednesday of every month, at 3 o'clock, P. M., at such place as shall have been notified on the Sabbath preceding, for the purpose of contributing, by work and money, for missionary purposes.

No. 4.

MATERNAL ASSOCIATION.

This is an Association of Mothers, who meet on the first Thursday of every month, except the months of the quarterly meetings, at three o'clock, P. M., at the place previously notified, to obtain instruction by conversation and reading, how to bring up their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord; and especially to implore divine direction and aid in their

responsible work, so that their children, through their faithfulness, may be made wise unto salvation.

On the first Wednesday in January, April, July and October, quarterly meetings are held in the Chapel; at these times the children are present, and the Pastor of the Church, to address them.

No. 5.

CHARLESTOWN CHARITY FUND.

This is a Corporation consisting of seven Trustees, members of the Church; whose duty it is to collect the income of $1400 of invested funds, and appropriate the same to the poor of the Church and Congregation. The principal part of this sum was given for the purpose named above, by Mr. Devens, now deceased.

The act of incorporation was obtained May 7, 1806.

No. 6.

CHARLESTOWN RELIEF SOCIETY.

This is an Association of Ladies, who meet monthly, to raise funds by contribution and labor, for the relief of the poor at large. Its meetings are from October to April, the third Thursday of each month. Meetings commence at 2½ o'clock, P. M. Gentlemen are invited to

be present in the evening. Meetings close by prayer at 9 o'cloek, P. M. The place of meeting is notified the previous Sabbath.

No. 7.

SOCIAL SEWING CIRCLE.

This is an Association of Ladies, who meet monthly, to make garments for the poor, for indigent students for the ministry, and to raise funds for missionary purposes. The time and place of its meetings are fixed by previous notice.

THE SABBATH SCHOOL

Consists of three departments, viz: The adult Bible Classes; the general School, and the Infant department. There are seven adult Bible Classes, and thirty classes in the general School.

Mr. Joseph Goodnow is Superintendent, and Mrs. Harriet Wason has charge of the Infant School.

Whole number of scholars and teachers is three hundred and forty. Number of volumes in the Library, 600. The School holds one session in the day, from $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $2\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, P. M.

A penny collection is taken every Sabbath, for benevolent purposes.

Teachers' meeting, every other week on Tuesday, at $7\frac{1}{2}$ o'clock, P. M.

Teachers and scholars' prayer meeting, the first Monday in every month, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Sabbath School Concert, on the second Sabbath of the month, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Annual meeting of the Sabbath School Society, on the third Tuesday in January, at 7½ o'clock, P. M.

Place of meeting for the above, notified in the Sabbath School.

DEVOTIONAL MEETINGS.

Ladies' Prayer Meeting, every Tuesday, at 2½ o'clock, P. M. The place of meeting notified on the Sabbath.

Young Ladies' Prayer Meeting, at the house of Mr. John D. Edmands, Austin Street, at 4 o'clock, P. M., every Saturday.

General Prayer Meeting, for both sexes, in the Committee Room, every Sabbath morning, at 9 o'clock.

BENEVOLENCE.

The following sums were raised by the before-named Societies, or by contributions, and paid to the Societies, or for the objects named below, during the year 1851.

To the Am. Baptist Missionary Union.

From the Boardman Society,	$400 00	
By Monthly Contributions, a Collection, &c., ...	100 00	
From the Judson Society, .	25 00	
From the Social Sew. Circle,	25 00	
From the Sabbath School, .	22 27	
		572 27

To the A. B. Home Mission Society.

From the Boardman Society, ...	210 00

To the A. & F. Bible Society.

From the Boardman Society, for German Colporteurs, .	100 00	
Collection from the Church,	35 00	
		135 00

To the A. B. Publication Society.

From the Boardman Society, . . .	150 00

To the Mass Baptist Convention.

From the Boardman Society, . . .	90 00
Amount carried forward,	$1157 27

Amount brought forward,		$1157 27
To the Charlestown City Miss. Soc.		
From the Boardman Society, . . .		200 00
To the Boston Baptist Bethel Soc'y.		
From the Boardman Society, . . .		50 00
To the Grand Ligne Mission.		
From the Wade Soc'y, Cash,	25 00	
" do. do. barrel Clothing,	72 20	
" the Judson Society, .	25 00	
		122 20
To the Northern Bap. Ed. Society.		
Collection of the Ch. & Soc.	150 00	
By a few friends, to a Beneficiary, ...	100 00	
		250 00
To the American S. School Union.		
From the Sab. School Society, . .		20 00
To the American Tract Society.		
Collection of the Church and Society,		11 00
To the Sabbath School.		
Collection of the Church and Society,		120 00
To Mr. Crocker, of Sheboygan, Ill., to aid in building a Meeting-House, .		20 35
To Rev. C. A. Cummings, Amherst, Mass., to aid in paying off a debt on Meeting-House, ...		67 00
Amount carried forward,		$ 2017 82

Amount brought forward,		$2017 82
To Rev. Mr. Battell, of Feltonville, Mass., to aid in building a Meeting-House, ...		57 00
To Rev. Mr. Tucker, of Marshfield, Mass., to aid the Church in do., . .		30 00
To Rev. Mr. Grimes, of Boston, (col'd) to aid 12th Baptist Church, . . .		25 00
To Rev. Edmund Kelley, to aid in purchasing his family from slavery, . .		42 50
To Massachusetts Charitable Society, for Orphans and Widows of deceased Baptist Ministers, ...		25 00
To Mr. Levi, for the Jews, ...		14 00
To Mrs. Bertram, of St. Helena, towards a Bell for the Chapel—by the Wade Society, ...		25 00
To the Poor of the Church and City, from the Relief Society, ...	100 00	
From Communion Collect'ns,	110 17	
From the Charity Fund, . .	47 62	
Collection, at Thanksgiving,	63 00	
		320 79
Total,		$2557 11

FINANCES OF THE SOCIETY.

The Meeting House was altered and repaired in 1850, by raising the ceiling, erecting a steeple, frescoing, painting, carpeting, &c., at a cost of	$3159 79
The Chapel was repaired and improved in 1851, at a cost of . .	350 00
The debt on the Meeting-House, unprovided for, is about	6000 00

YEARLY EXPENSES.

Minister's Salary, .	$1200 00	
Interest on Debt, . .	360 00	
Singing, ...	400 00	
Sexton, ...	150 00	
Lights, Fuel, &c. &c., .	200 00	
Treasurer's Compensation,	40 00	
		$2350 00

YEARLY INCOME.

Pew Taxes, ...	$2300 60	
Rent of Rooms, . . .	110 00	
		$2410 00

The above is not given as literally correct, to a dollar, yet does not vary much from the exact amount.

NAMES

OF THE

PRESENT MEMBERS

OF THE

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH,

ARRANGED ALPHABETICALLY,

WITH THEIR PLACES OF RESIDENCE.

NAMES.

Mrs. Catharine Arnold, ...
Miss Lucy S. Arnold, ...
Mrs. Keziah Arnold, ...
Mr. James Arnold, ...
" Isaiah F. Arnold, ...
Mrs. Sarah E. Arnold, ...
" Hannah Ayer, ...
" Caroline M. Ayer, ...

Mr. Thomas Badger, ...
Mrs. Rebecca Badger, ...
" Betsey Badger, ...
Miss Abby Badger, ...
Mrs. Eliza Badger, ...
Miss Catharine N. Badger, ...
Mrs. Olive Barker, ...

RESIDENCE.

No. 13 Common Street.
" 13 " "
" 36 Lawrence "
" 2 Concord "
Chelsea.
"
No. 1 Lawrence Street.
" 17 Sullivan "

Federal Street Court, Boston.
" " " "
No. 41 Bartlett Street.
" " " "
" 51 Elm "
" " " "
" 84 School "

NAMES.

Dea. Albert J. Bellows, M. D., ...
Mrs. Maria S. Bellows, ...
Mr. Albert F. Bellows, ...
Miss Mary P. A. Bellows, ...
Mrs. Sarah N. Bent, ...
" Elizabeth Blanchard, ...
" Nancy R. Bowman, ...
Miss Charlotte Bowman, ...
Mrs. Rosetta Bowman, ...
Mr. John Bryant, Jr., ...
Mrs. Sarah Bryant, ...
Mrs. Elizabeth Bushee, ...
" Susan E. Berry, ...
Mr. Stephen Butterfield, ...
Mrs. Almira Butterfield, ...
Mr. James T. Bacon, ...
" Samuel M. Bixby, ...
Miss Elizabeth Burnell, ...

RESIDENCE.

No. 1 Seminary Place.
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "

Sudbury, Mass.

No. 9 Bunker Hill Street.
" 49 Washington "
" " " "
" 51 " "
" 36 Lawrence Street Place.
" " " " "

No. 3 Bartlett Place, Boston.
" 2 Everett Street.
" 2 Trenton "
" " " "
" 58 Main "
" 2 Irving Place.
" 11 Washington Street.

NAMES.

Mrs. Deborah Carragill, ...
Mr. Joseph Carter, ...
Mrs. Abigail Carter, ...
Miss Maria Carter, ...
" Sarah P. Carter, ...
Mr. Joshua C. Collins, ...
Mrs. Elizabeth A. Collins, ...
" Sarah Caban, ...
" Elizabeth Caldwell, ...
Miss Margaret Caldwell, ...
Mrs. Charlotte Cheever, ...
" Harriet Collins, ...
Mr. Isaac Corey, ...
Mrs. Sally Corey, ...
" Eliza Chase, ...
Mr. William Cobb, ...
Mrs. Abigail Cobb, ...
" Frances T. Cutler, ...
Mr. T. V. Carpenter, ...
Mrs. Marcia E. Carpenter, ...
" Lucy M. M. Clark, ...
" Harriet W. Chamberlain, ...
Mr. Amos Chase, ...
Mrs. Sarah P. Chase, ...
Miss Sarah P. Chase, ...
Mr. Marcellus Carpenter, ...
Mrs. Eliza Carpenter, ...

RESIDENCE.

No. 13 Richmond Street.
" 7 High "
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
" 8 " "
" " " "
" 6 Mount Vernon Street.
Mason, N. H.
No. 99 Elm Street.
" 199 Main "
" 11 Mount Vernon Street.
" 1 Lawrence "
" " " "
" " " "
" 88 School "
" " " "
Boston.
No. 3 Eden Street Court.
No. 3 Eden Street Court.
" 4 Albion "
Corner of Walker and Maine Streets.
No. 78 Pearl Street.
" " " "
" " " "
" 75 Green "
" " " "

NAMES.

Mr. Seth Rodolphus Clark, ...
Mrs. Clarissa Church, ...
Miss Fanny Church, ...
" Amelia Church, ...
Mr. Otis W. Carr, ...
Rev. T. F. Caldicott, ...
Mr. Eben M. Cheney, ...
" Daniel W. Caldwell, ...
" Samuel M. Cutler ,.....

Mr. Samuel Dinsmore, ...
" John Dakin, ...
Mrs. Rebecca E. T. Draper, ...
Mr. Charles E. Daniels, ...
Mrs. Sally Daniels, ...

RESIDENCE.

California.
No. 15 Walker Street.
" " " "
" " " "
" 22 Concord "
" 73 Washington Street.
" 15 Alston "
" 8 High "
" 28 Lawrence "

No. 3 Cross Street.
Boston.
West Brookfield, Mass.
No. 1 Cook Street.
" " " "

NAMES.

Miss Sarah A. Daniels, ...
" Martha E. Daniels, ...
" Emily A. Daniels, ...
Master George T. Daniels, ...
Miss Ann Dealey, ...

Mrs. Delia S. Eaton, ...
Mr. Albert Eaton, ...
Mrs. Mary A. Eaton, ...
Mr. John D. Edmands, ...
Mrs. Ann Edmands, ...
Miss Rebecca C. Edmands, ...
Mr. George D. Edmands, ...
Mrs. Abby H. Edmands, ...
" Elizabeth Edmands, ...
Miss Rebecca Eastabrook, ...
Mrs. Lana Edmands, ...
Miss Rebecca M. Edmands, ...

RESIDENCE.

No. 1 Cook Street.
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
" 41 School "

New York City.
Keeper of the Alms-House.
" " "

No. 32 Austin Street.
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
" 44 Union "
" 1 Lawrence Street.
" 41 Washington "
" " " "

NAMES.

" Catharine S. Edmands, ...
" Alice S. Edmands, ...
" Sarah D. Edmands. .....
" A. Josephine Edmands, ...
Mr. B. Waldo Edmands, ...
" William S. Edmands, ...
Mrs. Christiana Edmands, ...
Mr. Joseph Emerson, ...
Mrs. Lydia Emerson, ...
" Sarah B. Emerson, ...
" Mary J. Evans, ...
Miss Charlotte Enslin, ...
Mrs. Ann Easleman, ...

Mrs. Harriet Farrie, ...
Mrs. Lydia Ferrin, ...
" Mary Ann Fyfe, ...
Dea. Gideon Foster, ...

RESIDENCE.

No. 41 Washington Street.
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
" 8 " "
" " " "
" 75 School "
" " " "
Emerson Place.
South Reading, Mass.
Pearl Street.
No. 500 Main Street.

No. 1 Pearl Street.
No. 59 Ferrin Street.
" 24 Decatur "
" 38 Mead "

NAMES.

Mrs. Ruth R. Foster, ...
Dea. James Fosdick, ...
Mrs. Abigail R. Fosdick, ...
" Abigail T. Fosdick, ...
Mr. William Fosdick, ...
Mrs. Elizabeth T. Fosdick, ...
" Julia Fosdick, ...
" Louisa P. Flint, ...
" Abby Farwell, ...
Miss Mary G. Field, ...
Mrs. Dorothy Fall, ...
Miss Susan A. Fall, ...
" Mary E. Fall, ...
Mrs. Maria J. Follansbee, ...
Mrs. Mary C. Farnsworth, ...
Mr. Dewitt C. Fox, ...
Mrs. Eliza Fayes, ...
Miss Sarah H. Field, ...

RESIDENCE.

No. 38 Mead Street,
" 73 Washington Street.
" " " "
Winthrop "
" 22 Concord "
" " " "
Somerville.
No. 22 Bow Street.
" 2 Federal Street Court, Boston.
" 84 Main "
" 67 Pearl "
" " " "
" " " "
Pittsburg, Penn.
Lancaster, Mass.
No. 51 Washington Street.
" 7 Third "
" 36 Lawrence "

NAMES.

Miss Catharine Garrity, ...
Mrs. Helen Gibbs, ...
Miss Eliza Gove, ...
Mr. Joseph Goodnow, ...
Mrs. Lucia M. Goodnow, ...
Mrs. Mercy Gould, ...
" Nancy Greenleaf, ...

Mrs. Abby E. Horn, ...
" Sophronia F. Hall, ...
" Nancy Hay, ...
Miss Sarah G. Hay, ...
" Esther M. Hay, ...
Mrs. Anna Maria Hay, ...
" Betsey Haynes, ...
Miss Catharine Haynes, ...
Mr. Amos Haynes, ...
" Nathaniel Heath, ...
Mrs. Catharine L. Heath, ...
Miss Sarah A. Heath, ...
Dea. S. Prentice Hill, ...
Mr. James Hobbs, ...
" John Hutchinson, ...

RESIDENCE.

Boston.
No. 46 Lawrence Street.
" 36 " "
" 1 Wallace Court.
" " " "
No. 34 Mead Street.
" 26 Adams "

Decatur Street.
Ashfield, Mass.
No. 19 Richmond Street.
" 41 School "
" " " "
" " " "
" 103 Main "
" " " "
" 36 Austin "
" 31 Henley "
" " " "
" 59 Washington "
" 14 Mount Vernon Street.
Soley "
" 16 Mead "

NAMES.

Mrs. Martha A. Hicks, ...
Mr. Richard Hammond, ...
Mrs. Charlotte H. Hammond, ...
" Mary A. Hammond, ...
Mr. Franklin Hopkins, ...
Mrs. Sally Hopkins, ...
Miss Sarah A. Hopkins, ...
" Mary Hopkins, ...
Mr. Josiah S. Horton, ...
Mrs. Loisa H. Horton, ...
Miss Abby A. Holt, ...
" Helen M. Hurd, ...
" Lucy Hutchinson, ...
" Roby W. Horton, ...
" Harriet Haskell, ...
" Martha F. Hall, ...

RESIDENCE.

South Royalston, Mass.
No. 53 Bartlett Street.
" " " "

Corner of Richmond and Union Streets.
No. 50 Green Street.
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
" 84 Lawrence Street.
No. 84 Lawrence Street.
Cambridgeport.
No. 72 Pearl Street.
" 16 Mead "
" 14 Common Street.
" 12 Pleasant "
" 2 Irving Place.

NAMES.

Mr. Nathan Jaquith, ...
Mrs. Elizabeth Jaquith, ...

Dea. Willard Knowles, ...
Mrs. Polly Knowles, ...
" Phebe Knight, ...
Miss Anna E. Knight, ...
Mr. Benjamin Kimball, ...
Mrs. Sarah Kimball, ...
Miss Caroline D. C. Kidder, ...
" Mary Kennedy, ...
Mrs. Abby T. Kelley, ...
Mr. Hoseah B. Kelsey, ...
Miss Mary Kraath, ...

RESIDENCE.

South Woburn, Mass.
" " "

No. 1 Second Street.
" " " "

Neck Village.
" "

No. 12 Eden Street.
" " " "

New York.
No. 73 Washington Street.
" 23 Lynde "
" 7 High "
" 8 Washington "

NAMES.

Mrs. Elizabeth Leverett, ...
" Charlotte Leverett, ...
Mr. George W. Little, ...
Mrs. Elizabeth H. Little, ...
Miss Sarah M. Lincoln, ...
Mrs. Elizabeth S. Lincoln, ...
Mr. John Linscott, ...
Mrs. Maria Linscott, ...

Mrs. Desire Mann, ...
" Harriet Martin, ...
" Ann Mayling, ...
" Mary J. Maynard, ...
Mr. James Mellen, ...
Mrs. Sarah A. Mellen, ...
" Alice B. Morgan, ...
" Lucy Mossman, ...
Miss Elizabeth Mullet, ...

RESIDENCE.

No. 8 Richmond Street.
" " " "
" 59 Washington "
" " " "
No. 70 High Street.
Otis Place. Deceased.
No. 3 Cross Street.
" " " "

No. 66 Austin "
" 11 " "
Boston.
Fitchburg, Mass.
Cambridgeport.
"
No. 71 Green Street.
Concord "
Centre Harbor, N. H.

NAMES.

Dea. John Murray, ...
Mrs. Mary Murray, ...
" Mary B. Murray, ...
Mr. Nathan Merrill, ...
Mrs. Amelia G. Merrill, ...
Mr. Enos Merrill, ...
Mrs. Harriet Merrill, ...
Mr. J. Warren Merrill, ...
Mrs. Hannah B. Merrill, ...
Mr. Edward G. Myrick, ...
Miss Mary McDonald, ...
Mrs. Sarah B. Marston, ...
" Cynthia M. Mitchell, ...

RESIDENCE.

Andover, Mass.
" "
No. 21 Pleasant Street.
" 2 Seminary Place.
" " " "
" 16 Pleasant Street.
" " " "
" 230 Main "
" " " "
Brooklyn, N. Y.
Spring Vale, Me.
No. 21 Henley Street.
" 13 Richmond Street.

NAMES.

Mrs. Mary Norcross, ...
Mr. Henry Nutting, ...
Mrs. Mary A. Nowell, ...
Mr. H. P. Norris, ...

Mrs. Lucy Packer, ...
Miss Mary Parmenter, ...
Mrs. Lucy Perkins, ...
" Abiah Phipps, ...
" Almira Pike, ...
Miss Margaret Pollard, ...
Mrs. Mary H. Priest, ...
" Betsey F. Putnan, ...
" Emeline Pierce, ...
" Nancy Putney, ...
Miss Jane Pasco, ...
Master Samuel Pasco, ...

RESIDENCE.

No. 30 Chelsea Street.
" 34 Elm "
Crystal Place, Mead Street.
Salem Street Court.

Newton, Mass.
Antrim, N. H.
Everett Street Court.
No. 259 Main Street.
" 51 Lawrence Street.
" 11 Washington "
Boston.
No. 56 Bow Street.
" 10 Cross "
" 8 Everett "
" 2 Walford "
" " " "

NAMES.

Mr. John Parsons, ...
Mrs. R. D. Parsons, ...
" Olive E. Pierce, ...
" Polly Pierce, ...
" R. E. S. Pierce, ...
Mr. Edward Parker, ...
Mrs. Nancy Parker, ...
Mr. Walter T. Powers, ...
Miss Mary E. Peckens, ...
Mrs. Mary E. Porter, ...
Mr. Philo F. Packard, ...
Mrs. Mary Packard, ...
Miss Martha J. Packard, ...
Mrs. Hannah Powers, ...

RESIDENCE.

No. 99 Elm Street.
" " " "
" 3 First "
" 1 Hancock Street.
Ashburnham, Mass.
No. 13 Walker Street.
" " " "
Reading, Mass.
No. 230 Main Street.
" 73 Green "
No. 74 School Street.
" " " "
" " " "
" 12 Common "

NAMES.

Mrs. Sarah Quinn, ...

Mrs. Mary Radding, ...
" Betsey Richardson, ...
Miss Mary A. Richardson, ...
Mrs. Jane Richardson, ...
" Margery Robinson, ...
Mr. Franklin O. Reed, ...
Mrs. Mary C. Reed, ...
Mr. Levi H. Reed, ...
" Peter S. Roberts, ...
Mrs. Sarah W. Roberts, ...
Miss Mary E. Reynolds, ...
Miss Imogene M. Robinson, ...
Mrs. Sarah D. Robinson, ...
Mr. William L. Robinson, ...
Miss Lucy Randall, ...

RESIDENCE.

No. 7 Pleasant Street.

" 70 School "
" 59 Decatur "
" " " "
" 54 " "
Trenton "
" 8 Pleasant "
" " " "
" " " "
Central Court, Main Street.
No. 120 Main Street.
" 21 Henley "
Seminary.
Newark, N. J.
No. 5 Pearl Street Place.
Melrose, Mass.

NAMES.

Mrs. Lydia N. Small, ...
" Hannah Sampson, ...
" Rebecca H. Sisson, ...
" Sarah Simonds, ...
" Almira Smith, ...
Mrs. Ann W. Scammell, ...
Miss Mary Snow, ...
" Jane M. Snow, ...
Mrs. Jane Southworth, ...
Mr. Robert Stimpson, ...
Mrs. Charlotte Stimpson, ...
" Hannah Somers, ...
" Sarah S. Snaith, ...
Mr. Calvin Smith, ...
Mrs. Sarah S. Smith, ...
" Betsey Stowell, ...
" Mary Scudder, ...
Mr. James A. Smith, ...
Mrs. Frances Ann Smith, ...
" Margaret T. Stockbridge, ...
Mr. Elisha A. Sweat, ...
Miss Harriet N. Sweat, ...

RESIDENCE.

Provincetown, Mass.
Acton, "
No. 3 Summer Street.
" 12 Ferrin "
" 7 First "
Hopkinton, Mass.
No. 13 Common Street.
" 1 Seminary Place.
Pleasant Street.
Corner of Walker and Russel Streets.
" " " " "
No. 17 Walker Street.
Somerville.
Lincoln, Mass.
" "
No. 18 Henley Street.
" 7 Church Place.
" 46 Linden Street.
" " " "
Franklin Street.
" 28 Lawrence "
" " " "

NAMES.

Mrs. Frances R. Temple, ...
Miss Mary W. Tower, ...
" Rebecca Thompson, ...
" Lucy Turner, ...
Mrs. Charlotte Turner, ...

Mr. John W. Walker, ...
Mrs. Rhoda P. W. Walker, ...
" Eunice P. Walker, ...
Mr. Robert Wason, ...
Mrs. Harriet N. Wason, ...
" Martha Watts, ...
Miss Catharine Webster, ...
Mrs. Sophia Wetherbee, ...
" Mary Whiting, ...
" Lucy White, ...
" Roxanna White, ...
Mr. Samuel K. White, ...
Miss Anna T. White, ...
" Abby M. C. White, ...

	RESIDENCE.
Winchester, N. H.	
Foxcroft, Me.	
	Union Street.
South Scituate, Mass.	
Malden,	"
No. 34	Mead Street.
" "	" "
Lovell, Me.	
	Thompson Street.
	" "
No. 6	Monument "
" 10	Chapman "
Neck Village.	
No. 38	Austin Street.
" 1	Soley "
" 3	Dexter Row.
" "	" "
" "	" "
" "	" "

NAMES.

Mrs. Susan Wright, ...
" Eunice Wyman, ...
Mr. Charles Wellington, ...
Mrs. Elizabeth Wellington, ...
Mr. Edwin Woodman, ...
Mrs. Sarah H. Woodman, ...
Miss Margaret Wallace, ...
Mrs. Caroline Wyman, ...
Mr. Levi Washburn, ...
" Calvin Washburn, ...
Mrs. Sarah C. Willson, ...

Mr. John York, ...

RESIDENCE.

Chelsea.
No. 77 Main Street.
" 2 Irving Place.
" " " "
" 14 Common Street.
" " " "
Rutland Street, Boston.
No. 1 Malden Street.
" 43 Richmond Street.
" " " "
" 38 Lawrence "

Providence, R. I.

STATED MEETINGS.

IN THE MEETING-HOUSE.

Sabbath Morning, at 10¼ o'clock, through the year.

Sabbath Afternoon, at 2¼ o'clock, from November 1 to March 1; 2¾ o'clock, the rest of the year.

Sabbath Evening, on the 3d Sabbath of each month, at 7½ o'clock.

IN THE CHAPEL.

Sabbath Evenings,—First Sabbath in each month, the Missionary Concert.

Second Sabbath of each month, the Sabbath School Concert.

Conference and Prayer Meeting, at other times, 7 o'clock.

Monday Evening,—Bible Class, taught by the Pastor, 7½ o'clock.

Wednesday Evening,—Lecture, 7½ o'clock.

Friday Evening,—Church Covenant Meeting, preceding the first Sabbath in each month, and Church Business meeting succeeding that Sabbath.

Conference and Prayer Meetings, on other evenings, at 7½ o'clock.

STATED COLLECTIONS.

The third Sabbath in January, for the cause of Missions.

The third Sabbath in April, for the Sabbath School cause.

The second Sabbath in June, for the Boardman Missionary Society.

The third Sabbath in July, for the Bible and Tract cause.

The third Sabbath in October, for the cause of Education.

The Sabbath before Thanksgiving, for the Poor.

The second Sabbath in December, for the Boardman Missionary Society.

At every Communion, for the Poor of the Church.

At every Church Meeting, for Incidental Expenses.

OFFICERS OF CHURCH AND SOCIETY.

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WILLARD KNOWLES,
ALBERT J. BELLOWS,
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WILLIAM FOSDICK.

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